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after notification of the Administrator's decision to suspend or revoke a certificate of conformity in whole or in part pursuant to paragraph (b), (c) or (e) of this section, request that the Administrator grant such manufacturer a hearing as to whether the tests have been properly conducted or any sampling methods have been properly applied.

(j) After the Administrator suspends or revokes a certificate of conformity pursuant to this section or notifies a manufacturer of his intent to suspend, revoke or void a certificate of conformity under § 86.084–30(d), and prior to the commencement of a hearing under § 86.614, if the manufacturer demonstrates to the Administrator's satisfaction that the decision to suspend, revoke or void the certificate was based on erroneous information, the Administrator shall reinstate the certificate.

(k) To permit a manufacturer to avoid storing non-test vehicles when conducting testing of an engine family or configuration subsequent to suspension or revocation of the certificate of conformity for that engine family or configuration pursuant to paragraph (b), (c), or (e) of this section, the manufacturer may request that the Administrator conditionally reinstate the certificate for that engine family or configuration. The Administrator may reinstate the certificate subject to the condition that the manufacturer consents to recall all vehicles of that engine family or configuration produced from the time the certificate is conditionally reinstated if the engine family or configuration fails the subsequent testing and to remedy any nonconformity at no expense to the owner.

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§ 86.614–84 Hearings on suspension, revocation, and voiding of certificates of conformity.

(a) *Applicability.* The procedures prescribed by this section apply whenever a manufacturer requests a hearing under § 86.084–30(d)(6)(i), § 86.084–30(d)(7), or § 86.612(i).

(b) *Definitions.* The following definitions shall be applicable to this section:

(1) *Hearing Clerk* shall mean the Hearing Clerk of the Environmental Protection Agency.

(2) *Manufacturer* refers to a manufacturer contesting a suspension or revocation order directed at the manufacturer.

(3) *Party* shall include the Agency and the manufacturer.

(4) *Presiding Officer* shall mean an Administrative Law Judge appointed pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 3105 (see also 5 CFR part 930 as amended).

(5) *Environmental Appeals Board* shall mean the Board within the Agency described in section 1.25 of this title. The Administrator delegates to the Environmental Appeals Board authority to issue final decisions in appeals filed under this subpart. Appeals directed by the Administrator, rather than to the Environmental Appeals Board, will not be considered. This delegation of authority to the Environmental Appeals Board does not preclude the Environmental Appeals Board from referring an appeal or a motion filed under this subpart to the Administrator for decision when the Environmental Appeals Board, in its discretion, deems it appropriate to do so. When an appeal or motion is referred to the Administrator, all parties shall be so notified and the rules in this part referring to the Environmental Appeals Board shall be interpreted as referring to the Administrator.

(c) *Request for public hearing.* (1) If the manufacturer disagrees with the Administrator's decision to suspend, revoke, or void a certificate or disputes the basis for an automatic suspension under § 86.612(a), it may request a public hearing as described in this section. Requests for such a hearing shall be filed with the Administrator not later than 15 days after the Administrator's notification of his decision to suspend or revoke unless otherwise specified by the Administrator. Two copies of such request shall simultaneously be served upon the Director of the Manufacturers Operations Division and two copies filed with the Hearing Clerk. Failure of the manufacturer to request a hearing within the time provided shall constitute a waiver of his right to such a hearing. Subsequent to the expiration of the period for requesting a hearing

as of right, the Administrator may, in his discretion and for good cause shown, grant the manufacturer a hearing to contest the suspension or revocation.

(2) The request for a public hearing shall contain:

(i) A statement as to which vehicle configurations or engine families are to be the subject of the hearing;

(ii) A concise statement of the issues to be raised by the manufacturer at the hearing for each vehicle configuration or engine family or vehicle for which the manufacturer has requested the hearing: *Provided, however*, That in the case of a hearing request under paragraph §86.612(i), the hearing is restricted to the following issues:

(A) Whether tests were conducted in accordance with applicable regulations under this part;

(B) Whether test equipment was properly calibrated and functioning;

(C) Whether sampling procedures specified in appendix XI of this part were followed; and

(D) Whether there exists a basis for distinguishing vehicles produced at plants other than the one from which vehicles were selected which would invalidate the Administrator's decision under §86.612(c);

(iii) A statement specifying reasons the manufacturer believes he will prevail on the merits on each of the issues so raised; and

(iv) A summary of the evidence which supports the manufacturer's position on each of the issues so raised.

(3) A copy of all requests for public hearings shall be kept on file in the Office of the Hearing Clerk and shall be made available to the public during Agency business hours.

(d) *Summary decision.* (1) In the case of a hearing requested under §86.612(i), when it clearly appears from the data and other information contained in the request for a hearing that there is no genuine and substantial question of fact with respect to the issues specified in §86.614(c)(2)(ii), the Administrator shall enter an order denying the request for a hearing. In addition, if the original decision to suspend or revoke a certificate of conformity was made under §86.612(d) prior to the decision to deny the request for a hearing, the

order denying the request will reaffirm the suspension or revocation.

(2) In the case of a hearing requested under §86.084–30(d)(6)(i), to challenge a proposed suspension of a certificate of conformity for the reasons specified in §86.084–30(d)(1) (i) or (ii), when it clearly appears from the data and other information contained in the request for a hearing that there is no genuine and substantial question of fact with respect to the issue of whether the refusal to comply with the provisions of a test order or any other requirement of §86.603 was caused by conditions and circumstances outside the control of the manufacturer, the Administrator will enter an order denying the request for a hearing, and suspending the certificate of conformity.

(3) Any order issued under paragraph (d) (1) or (2) of this section shall have the force and effect of a final decision of the Administrator, as issued pursuant to paragraph (w)(4) of this section.

(4) If the Administrator determines that a genuine and substantial question of fact does exist with respect to any of the issues referred to in paragraphs (d)(1) and (2) of this section, he shall grant the request for a hearing and publish a notice of public hearing in accordance with paragraph (h) of this section.

(e) *Filing and service.* (1) An original and two copies of all documents or papers required or permitted to be filed pursuant to this section shall be filed with the Hearing Clerk. Filing shall be deemed timely if mailed, as determined by the postmark, to the Hearing Clerk within the time allowed by this section. If filing is to be accomplished by mailing, the documents shall be sent to the address set forth in the notice of public hearing as described in paragraph (h) of this section.

(2) To the maximum extent possible, testimony shall be presented in written form. Copies of written testimony shall be served upon all parties as soon as practicable prior to the start of the hearing. A certificate of service shall be provided on or accompany each document or paper filed with the Hearing Clerk. Documents to be served upon

the Director of the Manufacturers Operations Division shall be sent by registered mail to: Director, Manufacturers Operations Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EN-340), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW., WSM, Washington, DC 20460. Service by registered mail is complete upon mailing.

(f) *Time.* (1) In computing any period of time prescribed or allowed by this section, except as otherwise provided, the day of the act or event from which the designated period of time begins to run shall not be included. Saturdays, Sundays, and Federal legal holidays shall be included in computing any such period allowed for the filing of any document or paper, except that when such period expires on a Saturday, Sunday, or Federal legal holiday, such period shall be extended to include the next following business day.

(2) A prescribed period of time within which a party is required or permitted to do an act shall be computed from the time of service, except that when service is accomplished by mail, three days shall be added to the prescribed period.

(g) *Consolidation.* The Administrator or the Presiding Officer in his discretion may consolidate two or more proceedings to be held under this section for the purpose of resolving one or more issues whenever it appears that such consolidation will expedite or simplify consideration of such issues. Consolidation shall not affect the right of any party to raise issues that could have been raised if consolidation had not occurred.

(h) *Notice of public hearings.* (1) Notice of a public hearing under this section shall be given by publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER and by such other means as the Administrator finds appropriate to provide notice to the public. To the extent possible hearings under this section shall be scheduled to commence within 14 days of receipt of the application in paragraph (c) of this section.

(i) *Amicus curiae.* Persons not parties to the proceeding wishing to file briefs may do so by leave of the Presiding Officer granted on motion. A motion for leave shall identify the interest of the applicant and shall state the reasons

why the proposed amicus brief is desirable.

(j) *Presiding Officer.* The Presiding Officer shall have the duty to conduct a fair and impartial hearing in accordance with 5 U.S.C. sections 554, 556 and 557 and to take all necessary action to avoid delay in the disposition of the proceedings and to maintain order. He shall have all power consistent with Agency rule and with the Administrative Procedure Act necessary to this end, including the following:

(1) To administer oaths and affirmations;

(2) To rule upon offers of proof and exclude irrelevant or repetitious material;

(3) To regulate the course of the hearings and the conduct of the parties and their counsel therein;

(4) To hold conferences for simplification of the issues or any other proper purpose;

(5) To consider and rule upon all procedural and other motions appropriate in such proceedings;

(6) To require the submission of direct testimony in written form with or without affidavit whenever, in the opinion of the Presiding Officer, oral testimony is not necessary for full and true disclosure of the facts;

(7) To enforce agreements and orders requiring access as authorized by law;

(8) To require the filing of briefs on any matter on which he is required to rule;

(9) To require any party or any witness, during the course of the hearing, to state his position on any issue;

(10) To take or cause depositions to be taken whenever the ends of justice would be served thereby;

(11) To make decisions or recommend decisions to resolve the disputed issues on the record of the hearing;

(12) To issue, upon good cause shown, protective orders as described in paragraph (n) of this section.

(k) *Conferences.* (1) At the discretion of the Presiding Officer, conferences may be held prior to or during any hearing. The Presiding Officer shall direct the Hearing Clerk to notify all parties of the time and location of any such conference. At the discretion of the Presiding Officer, persons other

than parties may attend. At a conference the Presiding Officer may:

(i) Obtain stipulations and admissions, receive requests and order depositions to be taken, identify disputed issues of fact and law, and require or allow the submission of written testimony from any witness or party;

(ii) Set a hearing schedule for as many of the following as are deemed necessary by the Presiding Officer:

(A) Oral and written statements;

(B) Submission of written direct testimony as required or authorized by the Presiding Officer;

(C) Oral direct and cross-examination of a witness where necessary as prescribed in paragraph (p) of this section: and

(D) Oral argument, if appropriate.

(iii) Identify matters of which official notice may be taken;

(iv) Consider limitation of the number of expert and other witnesses;

(v) Consider the procedure to be followed at the hearing; and

(vi) Consider any other matter that may expedite the hearing or aid in the disposition of the issue.

(2) The results of any conference including all stipulations shall, if not transcribed, be summarized in writing by the Presiding Officer and made part of the record.

(1) *Primary discovery* (exchange of witness lists and documents). (1) At a pre-hearing conference or within some reasonable time set by the Presiding Officer prior to the hearing, each party shall make available to the other parties the names of the expert and other witnesses the party expects to call, together with a brief summary of their expected testimony and a list of all documents and exhibits which the party expects to introduce into evidence. Thereafter, witnesses, documents, or exhibits may be added and summaries of expected testimony amended upon motion by a party.

(2) The Presiding Officer, may, upon motion by a party or other person, and for good cause shown, by order (i) restrict or defer disclosure by a party of the name of a witness or a narrative summary of the expected testimony of a witness, and (ii) prescribe other appropriate measures to protect a witness. Any party affected by any such

action shall have an adequate opportunity, once he learns the name of a witness and obtains the narrative summary of his expected testimony, to prepare for the presentation of his case.

(m) *Other discovery*. (1) Except as so provided by paragraph (l) of this section, further discovery, under this paragraph, shall be permitted only upon determination by the Presiding Officer:

(i) That such discovery will not in any way unreasonably delay the proceeding;

(ii) That the information to be obtained is not obtainable voluntarily; and

(iii) That such information has significant probative value. The Presiding Officer shall be guided by the procedures set forth in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, where practicable, and the precedents thereunder, except that no discovery shall be undertaken except upon order of the Presiding Officer or upon agreement of the parties.

(2) The Presiding Officer shall order depositions upon oral questions only upon a showing of good cause and upon a finding that:

(i) The information sought cannot be obtained by alternative methods; or

(ii) There is a substantial reason to believe that relevant and probative evidence may otherwise not be preserved for presentation by a witness at the hearing.

(3) Any party to the proceeding desiring an order of discovery shall make a motion or motions therefor. Such a motion shall set forth:

(i) The circumstances warranting the taking of the discovery;

(ii) The nature of the information expected to be discovered; and

(iii) The proposed time and place where it will be taken.

If the Presiding Officer determines the motion should be granted, he shall issue an order for the taking of such discovery together with the conditions and terms thereof.

(4) Failure to comply with an order issued pursuant to this paragraph may lead to the inference that the information to be discovered would be adverse to the person or party from whom the information was sought.

(n) *Protective orders, in camera proceedings.* (1) Upon motion by a party or by the person from whom discovery is sought, and upon a showing by the movant that the disclosure of the information to be discovered, or a particular part thereof, (other than emission data) would result in methods or processes entitled to protection as trade secrets of such person being divulged, the Presiding Officer may enter a protective order with respect to such material. Any protective order shall contain such terms governing the treatment of the information as may be appropriate under the circumstances to prevent disclosure outside the hearing: *Provided*, That the order shall state that the material shall be filed separately from other evidence and exhibits in the hearing. Disclosure shall be limited to parties to the hearing, their counsel and relevant technical consultants, and authorized representatives of the United States concerned with carrying out the Act. Except in the case of the government, disclosure may be limited to counsel for parties who shall not disclose such information to the parties themselves. Except in the case of the government, disclosure to a party or his counsel shall be conditioned on execution of a sworn statement that no disclosure of the information will be made to persons not entitled to receive it under the terms of the protective order. (No such provision is necessary where government employees are concerned because disclosure by them is subject to the terms of 18 U.S.C. 1905.)

(2)(i) A party or person seeking a protective order may be permitted to make all or part of the required showing in camera. A record shall be made of such in camera proceedings. If the Presiding Officer enters a protective order following a showing in camera, the record of such showing shall be sealed and preserved and made available to the agency or court in the event of appeal.

(ii) Attendance at any in camera proceeding may be limited to the Presiding Officer, the agency, and the person or party seeking the protective order.

(3) Any party, subject to the terms and conditions of any protective order

issued pursuant to paragraph (n)(1) of this section, desiring for the presentation of his case to make use of any in camera documents or testimony shall make application to the Presiding Officer by motion setting forth the justification therefor. The Presiding Officer, in granting any such motion, shall enter an order protecting the rights of the affected persons and parties and preventing unnecessary disclosure of such information, including the presentation of such information and oral testimony and cross-examination concerning it in executive session, as in his discretion is necessary and practicable.

(4) In the submittal of proposed findings, briefs, or other papers, counsel for all parties shall make a good faith attempt to refrain from disclosing the specific details of in camera documents and testimony. This shall not preclude references in such proposed findings, briefs, or other papers to such documents or testimony including generalized statements based on their contents. To the extent that counsel considers it necessary to include specific details in their presentations, such data shall be incorporated in separate proposed findings, briefs, or other papers marked "confidential," which shall become part of the in camera record.

(o) *Motions.* (1) All motions, except those made orally during the course of the hearing, shall be in writing and shall state with particularity the grounds therefore, shall set forth the relief or order sought, and shall be filed with the Hearing Clerk and served upon all parties.

(2) Within such time as may be fixed by the Environmental Appeals Board or the Presiding Officer, as appropriate, any party may serve and file an answer to the motion. The movant shall, if requested by the Environmental Appeals Board or the Presiding Officer, as appropriate, serve and file reply papers within the time set by the request.

(3) The Presiding Officer shall rule upon all motions filed or made prior to the filing of his decision or accelerated decision, as appropriate. The Environmental Appeals Board shall rule upon

all motions filed prior to the appointment of a Presiding Officer and all motions filed after the filing of the decision of the Presiding Officer or accelerated decision. Oral argument of motions will be permitted only if the Presiding Officer or the Environmental Appeals Board, as appropriate, deems it necessary.

(p) *Evidence.* (1) The official transcripts and exhibits, together with all papers and requests filed in the proceeding, shall constitute the record. Immaterial or irrelevant parts of an admissible document shall be segregated and excluded so far as practicable. Documents or parts thereof subject to a protective order under paragraph (n) of this section shall be segregated. Evidence may be received at the hearing even though inadmissible under the rules of evidence applicable to judicial proceedings. The weight to be given evidence shall be determined by its reliability and probative value.

(2) The Presiding Officer shall allow the parties to examine and cross-examine a witness to the extent that such examination and cross-examination is necessary for a full and true disclosure of the facts.

(3) Rulings of the Presiding Officer on the admissibility of evidence, the propriety of examination and cross-examination and other procedural matters shall appear in the record.

(4) Parties shall automatically be presumed to have taken exception to an adverse ruling.

(q) *Record.* (1) Hearings shall be stenographically reported and transcribed and the original transcripts shall be part of the record and the sole official transcript. Copies of the record shall be filed with the Hearing Clerk and made available during Agency business hours for public inspection. Any person desiring a copy of the record of the hearing or any part thereof, except as provided in paragraph (n) of this section, shall be entitled to the same upon payment of the cost thereof.

(2) The official transcripts and exhibits, together with all papers and requests filed in the proceeding, shall constitute the record.

(r) *Proposed findings, conclusions.* (1) Within 4 days of the close of the recep-

tion of evidence, or within such longer time as may be fixed by the Presiding Officer, any party may submit for the consideration of the Presiding Officer proposed findings of fact, conclusions of law, and a proposed order, together with reasons therefor and briefs in support thereof. Such proposals shall be in writing, shall be served upon all parties, and shall contain adequate references to the record and authorities relied upon.

(2) The record shall show the Presiding Officer's ruling on the proposed findings and conclusions except when his order disposing of the proceeding otherwise informs the parties of the action taken by him thereon.

(s) *Decision of the Presiding Officer.* (1) Unless extended by the Environmental Appeals Board, the Presiding Officer shall issue and file with the Hearing Clerk his decision within 14 days (or within 7 days in the case of a hearing requested under § 86.612(i)) after the period for filing proposed findings as provided for in paragraph (r) of this section has expired.

(2) The Presiding Officer's decision shall become the decision of the Environmental Appeals Board (i) when no notice of intention to appeal as described in paragraphs (t) and (u) of this section is filed, 10 days after issuance thereof, unless in the interim the Environmental Appeals Board shall have taken action to review or stay the effective date of the decision; or (ii), when a notice of intention to appeal is filed but the appeal is not perfected as required by paragraphs (t) or (u) of this section, 5 days after the period allowed for perfection of an appeal has expired unless within that 5 day period, the Environmental Appeals Board shall have taken action to review or stay the effective date of the decision.

(3) The Presiding Officer's decision shall include a statement of findings and conclusions, as well as the reasons or basis therefore, upon all the material issues of fact or law presented on the record and an appropriate rule or order. Such decision shall be supported by substantial evidence and based upon a consideration of the whole record.

(4) At any time prior to the issuance of his decision, the Presiding Officer

may reopen the proceeding for the reception of further evidence. Except for the correction of clerical errors, the jurisdiction of the Presiding Officer is terminated upon the issuance of his decision.

(t) *Appeal from the decision of the Presiding Officer.* (1) Any party to a proceeding may appeal the Presiding Officer's decision to the Environmental Appeals Board, *Provided*, That within 10 days after issuance of the Presiding Officer's decision such party files a notice of intention to appeal and an appeal brief within 20 days of such decision.

(2) When an appeal is taken from the decision of the Presiding Officer, any party may file a brief with respect to such appeal. The brief shall be filed within 15 days of the date of the filing of the appellant's brief.

(3) Any brief filed pursuant to this paragraph shall contain in the order indicated, the following:

(i) A subject index of the matter in the brief, with page references, and a table of cases (alphabetically arranged) textbooks, statutes, and other material cited, with page references thereto;

(ii) A specification of the issues intended to be urged: *Provided, however*, That in the case of a hearing requested under § 86.612(i), the brief shall be restricted to the issues specified in paragraph (c)(2)(ii) of this section;

(iii) The argument presenting clearly the points of fact and law relied upon in support of the position taken on each issue, with specific page references to the record and the legal or other material relied upon; and

(iv) A proposed order for the Environmental Appeals Board's consideration if different from the order contained in the Presiding Officer's decision.

(4) No brief in excess of 40 pages shall be filed without leave of the Environmental Appeals Board.

(5) Oral argument shall be allowed only in the discretion of the Environmental Appeals Board.

(u) *Summary appeal.* (1) In the case of a hearing requested under § 86.612(i), any appeal taken from the decision of the Presiding Officer shall be conducted under this paragraph.

(2) Any party to the proceeding may appeal the Presiding Officer's decision

to the Environmental Appeals Board by filing a notice of appeal within 10 days.

(3) The notice appeal shall be in the form of a brief, and shall conform to the requirements of paragraph (t)(3) of this section.

(4) Within 10 days after a notice of appeal from the decision of the Presiding Officer is filed under this paragraph, any party may file a brief with respect to such appeal.

(5) No brief in excess of 15 pages shall be filed without leave of the Environmental Appeals Board.

(v) *Review of the Presiding Officer's decision in absence of appeal.* (1) If after the expiration of the period for taking an appeal as provided for by paragraph (t) or (u) of this section no notice of intention to appeal the decision of the Presiding Officer has been filed, or if filed, not perfected, the Hearing Clerk shall so notify the Environmental Appeals Board.

(2) The Environmental Appeals Board, upon receipt of notice from the Hearing Clerk that no notice of intention to appeal the decision of the Presiding Officer has been filed, or if filed, not perfected pursuant to paragraph (t) or (u) of this section, may, on its own motion, within the time limits specified in paragraph (s)(2) of this section, review the decision of the Presiding Officer. Notice of the intention of the Environmental Appeals Board to review the decision of the Presiding Officer shall be given to all parties and shall set forth the scope of such review and the issues which shall be considered and shall make provision for filing of briefs.

(w) *Decision of appeal or review.* (1) Upon appeal from or review of the Presiding Officer's decision, the Environmental Appeals Board shall consider such parts of the record as are cited or as may be necessary to resolve the issues presented and in addition shall, to the extent necessary or desirable, exercise all the powers which it could have exercised if it had presided at the hearing.

(2) In rendering its decision, the Environmental Appeals Board shall adopt, modify or set aside the findings, conclusions, and order contained in the decision of the Presiding Officer and shall

set forth in its decision a statement of the reasons or bases for its action.

(3) In those cases where the Environmental Appeals Board determines that it should further information or additional views of the parties as to the form and content of the rule or order to be issued, the Environmental Appeals Board, in its discretion, may withhold final action pending the receipt of such additional information or views, or may remand the case to the Presiding Officer.

(4) Any decision rendered under this paragraph which completes disposition of a case shall be a final decision of the Environmental Appeals Board.

(x) *Reconsideration.* Within twenty (20) days after issuance of the Environmental Appeals Board's decision, any party may file with the Environmental Appeals Board a petition for reconsideration of such decision, setting forth the relief desired and the grounds in support thereof. Any petition filed under this subsection must be confined to new questions raised by the decision or final order and upon which the petitioner had no opportunity to argue before the Presiding Officer or the Environmental Appeals Board; *Provided, however,* That in the case of a hearing requested under § 86.612(i) such new questions shall be limited to the issues specified in paragraph (c)(2)(ii) of this section. Any party desiring to oppose such a petition shall file an answer thereto within ten (10) days after the filing of the petition. The filing of a petition for reconsideration shall not operate to stay the effective date of the decision or order or to toll the running of any statutory time period affecting such decision or order unless specifically so ordered by the Environmental Appeals Board.

(y) *Accelerated decision, dismissal.* (1) The Presiding Officer, upon motion of any party or sua sponte, may at any time render an accelerated decision in favor of the Agency or the manufacturer as to all or any part of the proceeding, without further hearing or upon such limited additional evidence such as affidavits as he may require, or dismiss any party with prejudice, for any of the following reasons:

(i) Failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted, or direct or collateral estoppel;

(ii) The lack of any genuine issue of material fact, causing a party to be entitled to judgment as a matter of law; or

(iii) Such other and further reasons as are just, including specifically failure to obey a procedural order of the Presiding Officer.

(2) If under this paragraph an accelerated decision is issued as to all the issues and claims joined in the proceeding, the decision shall be treated for the purposes of these procedures as the decision of the Presiding Officer as provided in paragraph (s) of this section.

(3) If under this paragraph, judgment is rendered on less than all issues or claims in the proceeding, the Presiding Officer shall determine what material facts exist without substantial controversy and what material facts are actually and in good faith controverted. He shall thereupon issue an order specifying the facts which appear without substantial controversy, and the issues and claims upon which the hearing will proceed.

(z) *Conclusion of hearing.* (1) If, after the expiration of the period for taking an appeal as provided for by paragraph (t) and (u) of this section, no appeal has been taken from the Presiding Officer's decision, and after the expiration of the period for review by the Environmental Appeals Board on its own motion as provided for by paragraph (v) of this section, the Environmental Appeals Board does not move to review such decision, the hearing will be deemed to have ended at the expiration of all periods allowed for such appeal and review.

(2) If an appeal of the Presiding Officer's decision is taken pursuant to paragraphs (t) and (u) of this section, or if, in the absence of such appeal, the Environmental Appeals Board moves to review the decision of the Presiding Officer pursuant to paragraph (v) of this section, the hearing will be deemed to have ended upon rendering of a final decision by the Environmental Appeals Board.

(aa) *Judicial review.* (1) The Administrator hereby designates the General

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Counsel, Environmental Protection Agency as the officer upon whom copy of any petition for judicial review shall be served. Such officer shall be responsible for filing in the court the record on which the order of the Environmental Appeals Board is based.

(2) Before forwarding the record to the court, the Agency shall advise the petitioner of costs of preparing it and as soon as payment to cover fees is made, shall forward the record to the court.

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§ 86.615–84 Treatment of confidential information.

(a) Any manufacturer may assert that some or all of the information submitted pursuant to this subpart is entitled to confidential treatment as provided by 40 CFR part 2, subpart B.

(b) Any claim of confidentiality must accompany the information at the time it is submitted to EPA.

(c) To assert that information submitted pursuant to this subpart is confidential, a manufacturer must indicate clearly the items of information claimed confidential by marking, circling, bracketing, stamping, or otherwise specifying the confidential information. Furthermore, EPA requests, but does not require, that the submitter also provide a second copy of its submittal from which all confidential information has been deleted. If a need arises to publicly release nonconfidential information, EPA will assume that the submitter has accurately deleted the confidential information from this second copy.

(d) If a claim is made that some or all of the information submitted pursuant to this subpart is entitled to confidential treatment, the information covered by that confidentiality claim will be disclosed by the Environmental Appeals Board only to the extent and by means of the procedures set forth in part 2, subpart B, of this chapter.

(e) Information provided without a claim of confidentiality at the time of submission may be made available to

the public by EPA without further notice to the submitter, in accordance with 40 CFR 2.204(c)(2)(i)(A).

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Subpart H—General Provisions for In-Use Emission Regulations for 1994 and Later Model Year Light-Duty Vehicles and Light-Duty Trucks

SOURCE: 56 FR 25781, June 5, 1991, unless otherwise noted.

§ 86.701–94 General applicability.

(a) The provisions of this subpart apply to: 1994 through 2003 model year Otto-cycle and diesel light-duty vehicles; 1994 through 2003 model year Otto-cycle and diesel light-duty trucks; and 1994 and later model year Otto-cycle and diesel heavy-duty engines; and 2001 and later model year Otto-cycle heavy-duty vehicles and engines certified under the provisions of subpart S of this part. The provisions of subpart B of this part apply to this subpart. The provisions of § 86.1811–04(a)(5) and (p) apply to 2004 and later model year light-duty vehicles, light-duty trucks, and medium duty passenger vehicles.

(b) References in this subpart to engine families and emission control systems shall be deemed to apply to durability groups and test groups as applicable for manufacturers certifying new light-duty vehicles, light-duty trucks, and Otto-cycle heavy-duty vehicles and engines under the provisions of subpart S of this part.

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§ 86.702–94 Definitions.

The definitions in subparts A and B of this part apply to this subpart.

§ 86.703–94 Abbreviations.

The abbreviations in subparts A and B of this part apply to this subpart.

§ 86.704–94 Section numbering; construction.

Section § 86.104 of subpart B applies to this subpart.